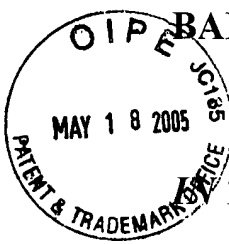


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The above-identified application is hereby expressly abandoned.

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